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1. The technical works section of the Ministry of the Armed Forces is responsible for the planning and supervision of all military constructions. General manager of the technical works is an engineer named Stroescu, a 26 year old Communist Jew who holds the rank of major.
2. All large military works under the Ministry of the Armed Forces, except for planning and supervision, are executed by a special unit of the Ministry of Construction called Corpul de Munca (Labor Body). The Corpul de Munca was established in the spring of 1950. It is now being used at the Ianca airfield constructing the airfield, barracks, and a road connecting the airfield with the Braila-Faurei road. The project will cost 800 million lei.
3. The price of construction materials is as follows: Masonry with cement is 5,400 lei per cubic meter; foundation concrete, 3,300 lei per cubic meter; reinforced concrete 4,400 lei per cubic meter; iron roofing, 520 lei per square meter; supports for roofing, 260 to 400 lei per square meter; single windows, 1,900 lei per square meter; double windows, 2,900 lei per square meter; exterior plastering, 105 lei per square meter; interior plastering 85 lei per square meter; bricks for stoves, 145 lei a piece; woodwork painting, 175 lei per square meter; doors, 3,500 lei per square meter; planks, 280 lei per square meter; wooden frames, 5,500 lei per cubic meter.
4. Construction Enterprise No. 7 of Galati performs all civilian and industrial building in the districts of Covurlui, Braila, Tulcea, Tecuci, Putna, Ramicul Sarat, Barlad, Vaslui, Husi, and Buzau. Enterprise No. 7 was established in March 1949. In 1949 the enterprise spent 650 million lei, 65 million of which went into the Galati Naval Shipyard.

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directed 14 works belonging to the 7 Construction Enterprise in the district of Vaslui and Faleciu. Three grain warehouses made of wood and covered with tar paper were constructed. They are each 100 meters long, and 25 meters wide, with a capacity of 400 tons. Each warehouse costs ten and one-half million lei. They are located as follows:

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- a. One is 500 meters to the left of the Vaslui railroad station on the line going to Iasi.
- b. The second is to the right of the Negresti station.
- c. The third is 400 meters to the right of the Falcu railroad station.
6. Other constructions in 1949 were as follows:
  - a. A hospital, valued at 20 million lei, in the yard of the old Draghiu hospital in Vaslui. It is three stories high and it has concrete floors.
  - b. The power plant of Vaslui was enlarged at a cost of five million lei.
  - c. An administration building and two oxen stables at Gospodaria Vaslui valued at four million lei.
  - d. A building belonging to the popular councils at a cost of 4.5 million lei.
  - e. An electrical plant was constructed at Falcu at a cost of two million lei.
  - f. At Musi a dispensary and school were constructed.
7. Military constructions in 1949 were as follows:
  - a. Barracks costing 50 million lei, were constructed at the former 8 Cavalry Regiment in the Tecuci-Galati area.
  - b. New barracks costing 60 million lei were constructed near the old barracks at Rămnicul Sarat.
  - c. Military works at Sulina cost 40 million lei.
  - d. Military works at the Urleasca district of Braila cost 50 million lei. At Barlad military works cost 25 million lei.
8. All construction enterprises have special numbers which correspond with the number of the enterprise: Enterprise No. 1 has works beginning with the number 1,000; Enterprise No. 7 has works beginning with the number 7,000. For example, all works in the Galati area begin with 7,000 to 7,100. Those in Braila go from 7,100 to 7,200. Those in Buzau from 7,200 to 7,300 and so on.
9. In February 1950 the informant was assigned to the technical offices of Construction Enterprise No. 7 at Galati. Cost of construction plans for 1950 was 550 million lei for civilian constructions and 500 million lei for military.
10. The military station at Larga received the highest construction priority. The project belonging to the Ministry of Metallurgy cost 140 million lei. The project involved the construction of two railroad lines, one two kilometers in length for the Soviet gauge and the normal gauge at a length of 1,036 kilometers, and a concrete viaduct 260 meters long with silos of metal frame. The project is on the right side of the Galati-Reni road, seven kilometers from the intersection of the road with the railroad line of the Galati station. Iron ore will be imported from the Soviet Union on the wide gauge railroad. The ore will be placed in the silos above where it will be cleaned. It will then be poured into Rumanian trucks for transport to various Rumanian industries. The project will continue through 1951 at a cost of 600 million lei.
11. Constructions in 1950 by Construction Enterprise No. 7 were as follows:
  - a. an apartment house for workers of the Naval Shipyard at Galati. The apartment is located on Strada Traian and it cost 70 million lei.
  - b. Buildings were repaired in the Galati Naval Shipyard at a cost of 15 million lei.

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- e. The Fusul spinning mill in Galati was enlarged at a cost of 15 million lei.
  - d. A portion of the Braila power plant was enlarged at a cost of 35 million lei.
  - e. A "solomite" factory is being constructed in Braila at a cost of 15 million lei.
  - f. At Odobesti a school and quarters for officers of the Militia was constructed at a cost of 10 million lei.
12. Military constructions in 1950 were as follows:
- a. A garage was constructed near the Tecuci area at a cost of 11 million lei. The garage holds 40 vehicles.
  - b. The repairs at the Vasile Lupu barracks in Galati cost 4.5 million lei.
  - c. The Soviet tank garages in Galati were repaired at a cost of 14 million lei.
  - d. At the Zilistea district of Buzau 90 million lei was spent on an officer's school, club, and quarters.
  - e. At the Crang Maracineni district of Buzau, Râmnicul Sarat, Focșani, Tecuci, Braila, and Buzau many buildings were constructed, including 24 stables for horses with a capacity of 52 horses in each stable costing three million lei each. The buildings also included barracks, schools for officers, clubs and mess halls.

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